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SUBJ: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING NO. 146, AUG 29, 1977  
(SALT TWO-1374)

1. PRINCIPLES: IKARPOV TABLED SOVIET DRAFT "JOINT STATEMENT OF  
BASIC GUIDELINES FOR SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS." (SOVIET REACTION  
TO US-PROPOSED BASIC PRINCIPLES SEPTEL.) KLOSSON TOOK SOVIET  
DRAFT FOR STUDY.

2. ARTICLE II.5: KLOSSON TABLED COMMON UNDERSTANDING WITH  
CORRESPONDING DESIGNATIONS FOR US AND SOVIET MIRVED ICBMS.  
KARPOV STATED NEW US FORMULATION COULD BE CONSIDERED AGREED.  
TEXT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT:

THE SIDES AGREE THAT THE NEGOTIATING RECORD REFLECTS THE COMMON  
UNDERSTANDING THAT THE DESIGNATIONS BY THE U.S.A.M AND BY THE U.S.S.R.  
FOR ICBMS AND SLBMS EQUIPPED WITH MIRVS CORRESPOND IN THE FOLLOWING  
MANNER:

MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE U.S. A. AS MINUTEMAN III  
AND KNOWN TO THE USSR UNDER THE SAME DESIGNATION A LIGHT ICBM THAT  
HAS BEEN FLIGHT-TESTED WITH MULTIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY  
VEHICLES;

MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE USA AS THE PSEIDON C-3 AND  
KNOWN TO THE USSR UNDER THE SAME DESIGNATION AN SLBM THAT HAS BEEN  
FLIGHT-TESTED WITH MULTIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY

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VEHICLES;  
MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE USSR AS THE  
RS-16 AND KNOWN TO THE USA AS THE SS-17, A LIGHT ICBM THAT  
HAS BEEN FLIGHT-TESTED WITH SINGLE REENTRY VEHICLES AND MULTIPLE  
INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY VEHICLES;  
MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE USSR AS THE RS-18  
AND KNOWN TO THE USA AS THE SS-19, THE HEAVIEST IN TERMS OF

LAUNCH-WEIGHT AND THROW-WEIGHT OF LIGHT ICBMS, THAT HAS BEEN FLIGHT-TESTED WITH SINGLE REENTRY VEHICLES AND MULTIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY VEHICLES;  
MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE USSR AS THE RS-20 AND KNOWN TO THE USA AS THE SS-18, A HEAVY ICBM THAT HAS BEEN FLIGHT TESTED WITH SINGLE REENTRY VEHICLES AND MULTIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY VEHICLES;  
MISSILES OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED BY THE USSR AS THE RSM-50 AND KNOWN TO THE USA AS THE SS-N-18, AN SLBM THAT HAS BEEN FLIGHT-TESTED WITH SINGLE REENTRY VEHICLES AND MULTIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE REENTRY VEHICLES.

3. ARTICLE III.2: KLOSSON TABLED NEW US DRAFT FOR III.2 TEXT FOLLOWS.  
BEGIN TEXT.

EACH PARTY UNDERTAKES TO LIMIT FROM OCTOBER 1, 1979, STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH -1 OF THIS ARTICLE TO AN AGGREGATE NUMBER NOT TO EXCEED 2,160, AND TO INITIATE REDUCTIONS OF THOSE ARMS WHICH AS OF THAT DATE WOULD BE IN EXCESS OF THIS AGGREGATE NUMBER.  
END TEXT.

4. KARPOV SAID US FORMULATION FOR II.2 ACCEPTABLE WITH EXCEPTION OF DATE AND AGGREGATE NUMBER, WHICH SOVIETS WOULD BRACKET.

5. ARTICLE XX (FORMERLY ARTICLE XIX); KARPOV TABLED NEW  
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FORMULATION FOR ARTICLE XX.1, NOTING THAT OLD LANGUAGE OF ARTICLE XIX.1 CONCERNING TIMES OF ENTRY INTO FORCE WERE IN EFFECT OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS. TEXT FOLLOWS.  
BEGIN TEXT.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL ENTER INTO FORCE ON THE DAY OF THE EXCHANGE OF INSTRUMENTS OF APPROVAL ADOPTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES OF EACH PARTY AND SHALL REMAIN IN FORCE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1985, UNLESS REPLACED EARLIER BY AN AGREEMENT FURTHER LIMITING STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS.  
END TEXT.

6. KLOSSON NOTED ARTICLE XX.2 REMAINS UNCHANGED. HE SAID HE SAW NO PROBLEM WITH NEW SOVIET FORMULATION FOR XX.1 BUT WOULD RESERVE FINAL DECISION UNTIL HE HAD A CHANCE TO CONSIDER THE MATTER AT MORE LENGTH.KLOSSON

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